

SCDD Report to SSDAC

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- Resource Sharing
- Federal Update – Public Charge Rule

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From Then to Now: Orientation Timeline

- **2017–2021:** DDS trained community stakeholders in a train-the-trainer model. SCDD offices conducted sessions to prepare for the 2,500 phase-in. Most sessions ran 6–8 hours!
- **Post phase-in:** Regional centers continued SDP Orientations using their PCS staff (funding ended June 2024).
- **July 2021:** SDP opened to all eligible individuals. DDS requested SCDD deliver statewide orientations to promote access and increased enrollment.
 - **Late-2021:** Interagency Agreement (IA) established to conduct statewide SDP Orientations.
- **July 2022:** Statewide SCDD launch - one streamlined two-hour Zoom session offered in multiple languages. Some RCs discontinued Orientations and referred to SCDD.
- **April 1, 2026:** SCDD sole-source launches with two-part format.

April 2026: Two-Part Format

- **Part A (2 hours) + Part B (2 hours) = SDP Orientation**
 - **Training Structure:** Content, Resources, Co-trainer sharing, Q & A
 - **Part A Topics:** CA Developmental Disabilities System, SDP Overview, Person-Centered Plan, Individual Program Plan, Individual Budget, Next Steps & Resources
 - **Part B Topics:** Spending Plan, Independent Facilitators (IFs), Financial Management Services (FMS) Vendors and Models, Getting Ready, Next Steps & Resources
- Part A must be completed before attending Part B

Languages & Access

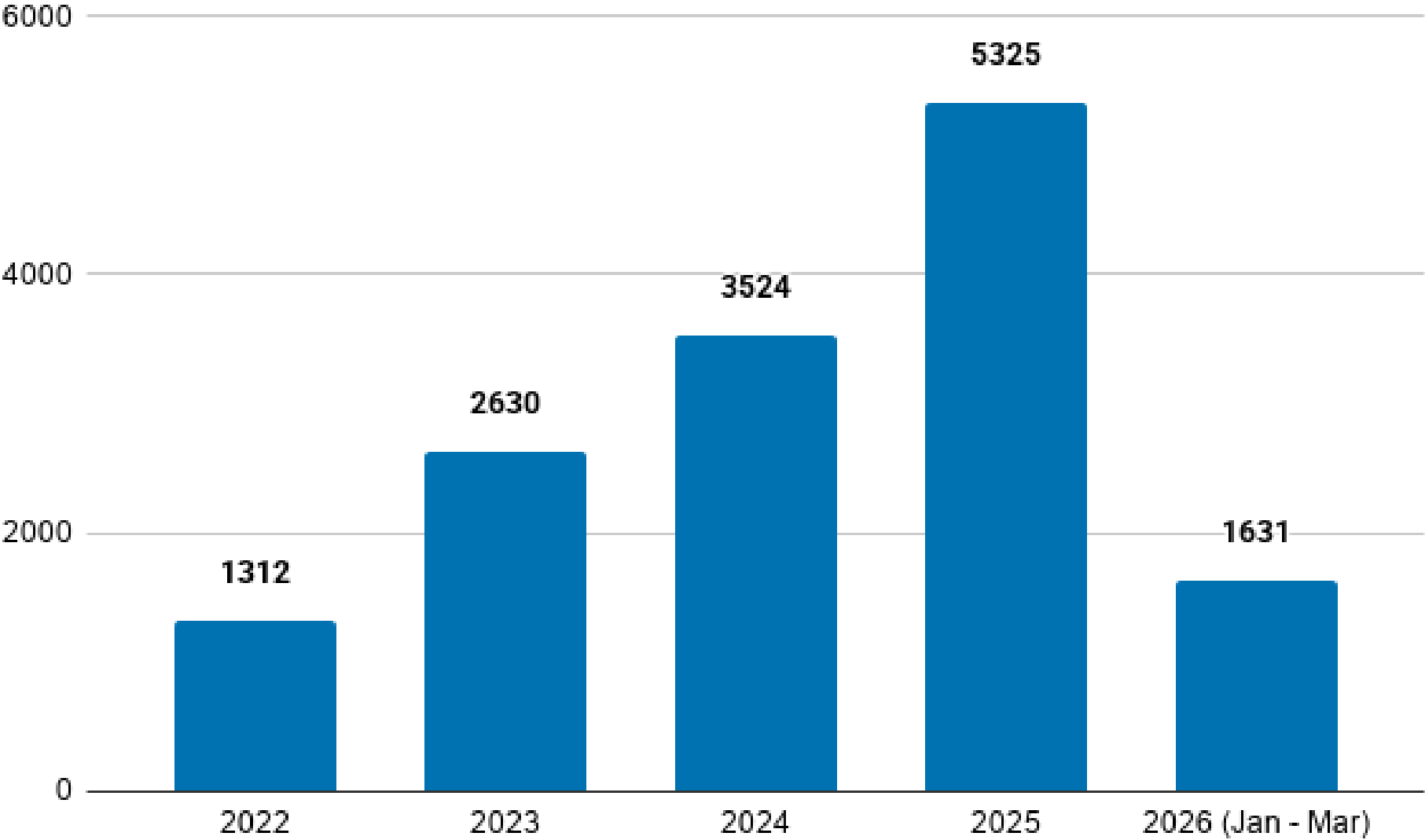
April 2026:

- Monthly sessions offered in English and Spanish
- Materials and recordings available in English/ASL and Spanish via the SCDD Website

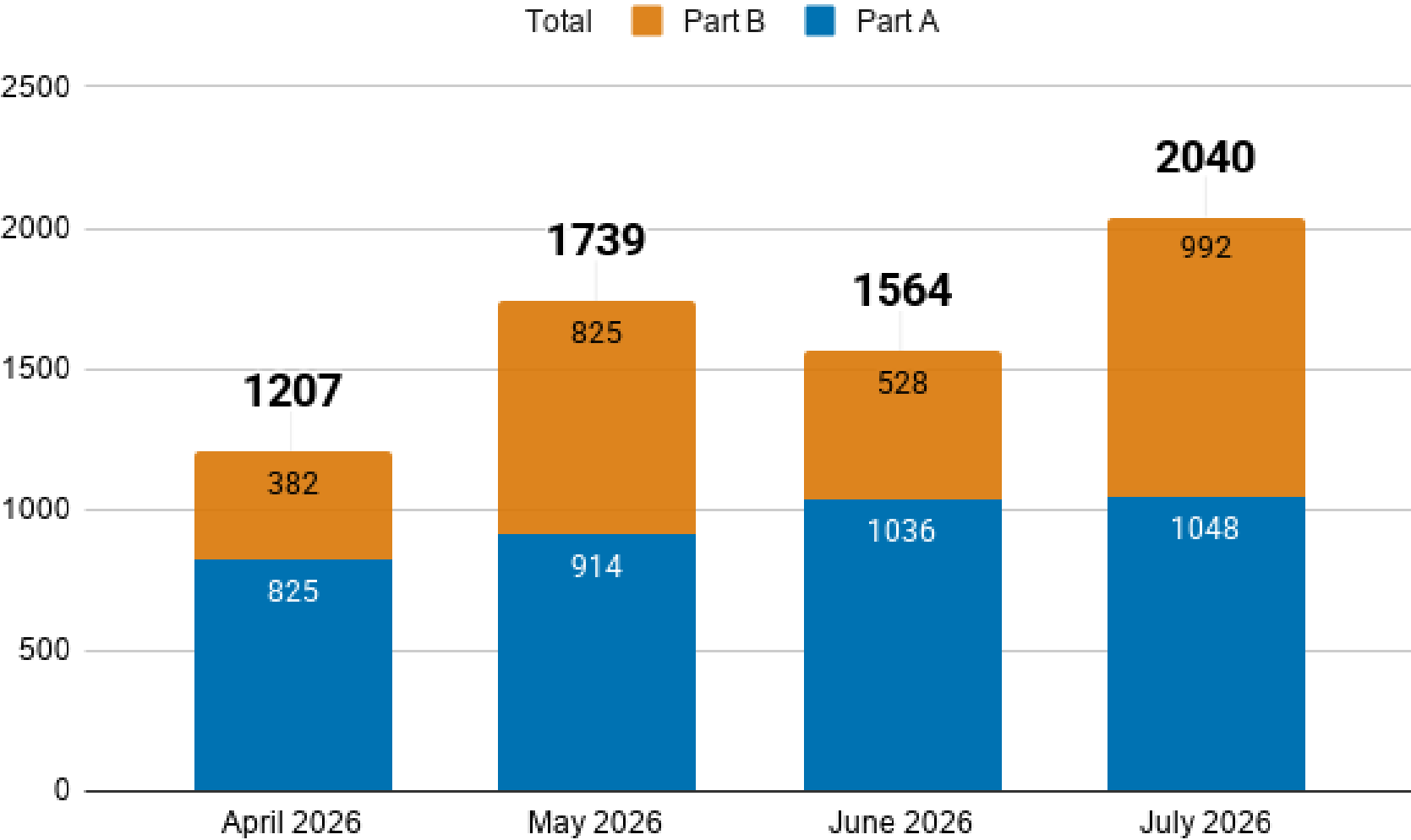
Coming Soon:

- Materials available in: Arabic, Armenian, Chinese, Farsi, Hmong, Korean, Tagalog, and Vietnamese.
- Recordings for preview and review will become available via the SCDD Website.

SCDD Statewide SDP Orientation – Single-Session Totals = 14,422



SCDD Statewide SDP Orientation – Two-Part Series



Recent Feedback

- *All this is starting to make sense. – D.R.*
- *This was a very helpful overview! – H.H.*
- *This is an incredible training. – S.S.*
- *Thank you for the wealth of information. – S.A.*
- *Great presentation. Very simple understanding. – P.R.*
- *I love these little questions, really keeps you engaged and helps you make sure you understand what's going on. – R.H.*

Start Here! SDP Orientation Website

- **Everything you need in one place**
 - Event calendar & registration
 - Presentations, recordings, and resources
 - Certificate information
 - Helpful reminders
 - Contact information
 - And more...
- **Website link:** <https://scdd.ca.gov/sdp-orientation/>

Help Us Share What Works!

SCDD wants to make it easier for people with disabilities, families, and providers to find valuable SDP resources. **Your knowledge can help someone else take the next step.**

- Email Robin.Maitino@scdd.ca.gov to learn how to get your resources included on the SCDD SDP pages.
- **Explore and share resources:**
<https://scdd.ca.gov/sdp-home/>
<https://scdd.ca.gov/self-determination-resources/>

Federal Updates: Public Charge Rule

- The federal government has announced a new [Public Charge Rule](#). This rule may affect some people who are applying for a green card
- The rule is expected to take effect in September 2026.
- State Departments are reviewing the new rule and what it may mean for Californians.

Public Charge Rule: What you should know

- This rule does not affect everyone.
- Do not make decisions based on rumors or social media.
- If you have questions about how this rule may affect you or your family, talk with a trusted immigration attorney or accredited legal service provider before making any decisions.
- More information is expected in the coming weeks.

Public Charge Rule: Learn More

- Read the **Joint Statement from California Health & Human Services Leaders:** <https://www.chhs.ca.gov/blog/2026/07/16/joint-statement-from-california-health-and-human-services-leaders-on-new-federal-public-charge-rule//>
- Find a **qualified immigration legal service provider:** <https://www.cdss.ca.gov/benefits-services/more-services/immigration-services/immigration-services-contractors/public-charge-contact-list>
- Visit the **California Health & Human Services Agency** website for updates: <https://www.chhs.ca.gov/>
- **Public Charge Rule:** <https://public-inspection.federalregister.gov/2026-14539.pdf>
- **CA Department of Social Services:** <https://www.cdss.ca.gov/benefits-services/more-services/immigration-services/immigration-services-contractors/public-charge-contact-list>

THANK YOU!

Questions?